An overview of Canada's FOREST RESOURCES

HOW MUCH OF CANADA'S AREA IS FOREST?

3,470,690 km² of Canada's total area of **9,979,685 km²** is forest. That's a larger area than Alberta, Ontario and Quebec combined.

FOREST AREA

35% of Canada's area is forest.

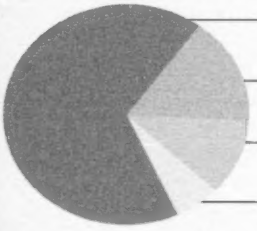
9% of the world's forests are in Canada.

THE BOREAL ZONE

Canada's boreal zone spans 5.5 million km² including all or part of 10 ecozones and accounts for over three-quarters of Canada's forest area.

WHAT DO CANADA'S FORESTS LOOK LIKE?

FOREST TYPES



- **68%** Coniferous
- **16%** Mixedwood
- **11%** Broadleaf
- **6%** Non-treed

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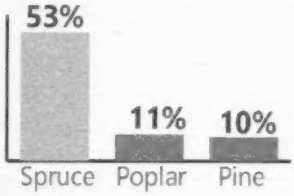
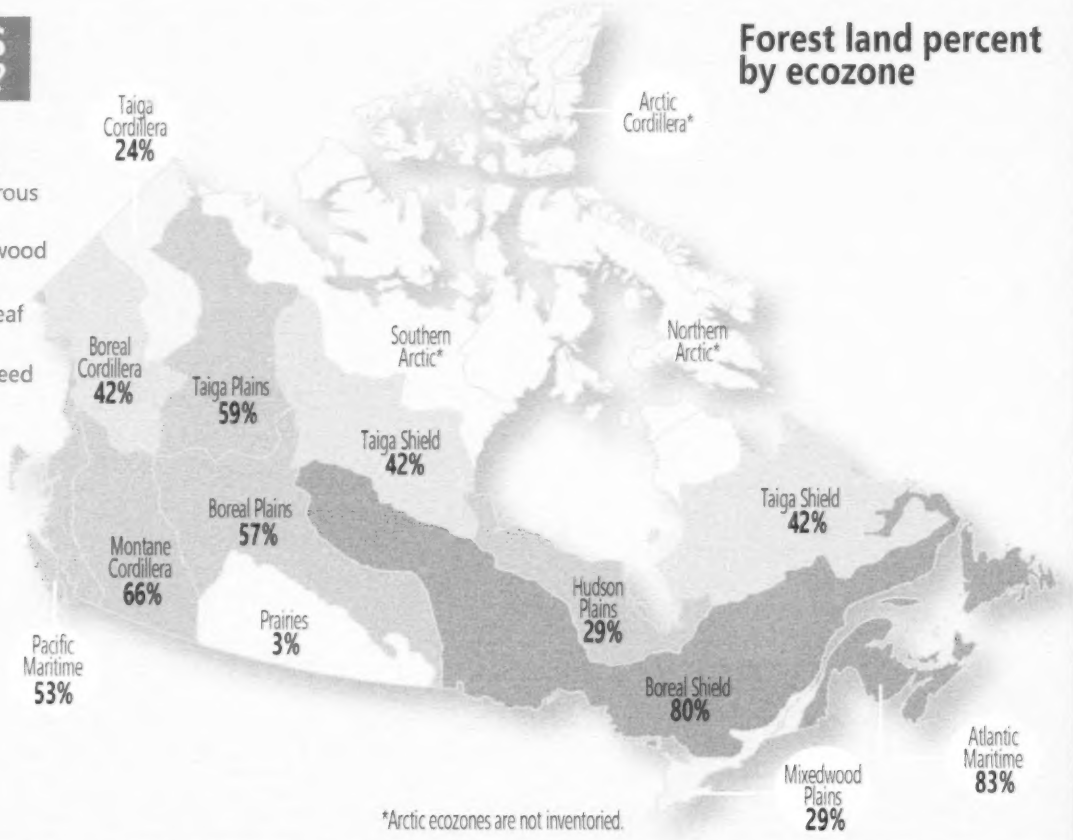


AGE CLASSES

42% of Canada's forests are between 81 and 120 years old, followed by 26% between 41 and 80 and 12% under 41.

Forest land percent by ecozone



*Arctic ecozones are not inventoried.

WHAT TYPES OF DISTURBANCES AFFECT CANADA'S FORESTS?

INSECTS

In 2015, insects damaged 176,318 km² of forest.

FOREST FIRES

In 2015, 7,140 wildfires burned a total of 38,616 km² of forest.

HARVESTING

In 2015, Canada harvested 7,796 km² of forest.

DEFORESTATION

From 1990 to 2015, forest area decreased 0.3% from 3.48 million km² to 3.47 million km².

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